

REMARKS

Claims 4-10, 13-15, and 18-25 remain pending in this application. Claims 1-3, 8-12, 16, and 17 are rejected. Claims 4-7, 13-15, and 18-25 are objected to. Claims 1-3, 11, 12, 16, and 17 are cancelled herein. Claims 7, 9, and 21-23 have been amended to place them in better form.

Claims 1, 11, 12, 16, and 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent Pub. No. 2001/0047162 (Yugari). Claims 1, 11, 12, 16, and 17 have been cancelled, making their rejection moot.

Claims 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, and 10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 4,496,046 (Stone et al.). Claims 1, 2, and 3 have been cancelled, making their rejection moot. Claims 8, 9, and 10 have been made dependent from claims 4, 5, and/or 6, which have been deemed allowable.

Claims 4-7, 13-15, and 18-25 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but deemed allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 4-7, 13-15, and 18-20 have been made independent including all the limitations from the base claim and intervening claims. Claims 21-25 depend from claim 20.

Six further independent claims in excess of three are added. **The fee of \$1200.00 for the claims is provided for in the charge authorization presented in the PTO Form 2038, Credit Card Payment form, provided herewith.**

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In light of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance of all claims and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

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